## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claim in the application:

- 1. (Previously presented) A non-woven material comprising:
  - a) a web of fibers; and
  - b) an emulsion binder comprising a tap water-dispersible polymer which is non-dispersible in aqueous solutions containing 0.5 weight percent or more of an inorganic salt, wherein said water-dispersible polymer comprises from 1 to 100 percent by weight of a hydrophilic monomer and from 0 to 99 percent by weight of at least one non-hydrophilic monomer, wherein said polymer has a Tg of from -40°C to +105°C, and wherein said binder comprises an aqueous emulsion residue which exhibits salt sensitive dispersibility in tap water.
- 2. (Original) The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said fibers have a length of less than 5 cm.
- 3. (Original) The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said fibers have a length of less than 2 cm.
- 4. (Original) The non-woven material of claim 1 comprising 50 to 98 percent by weight of fibers.
- 5. (Original) The non-woven material of claim 1 comprising 70 to 85 percent by weight of fibers.
- 6. (Original) The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said material has a binder add-on of from 2 to 50 percent by weight.

- 7. (Canceled)
- 8. (Original) The non-woven material of claim 1 wherein said binder further comprises at least one component selected from the group consisting of plasticizers, tackifiers, fillers, humectants, surfactants, salts, fragrances, pigments, titanium dioxide, and encapsulated components.
- 9. (Original) The non-woven material of claim 1 having a web basis weight of from 20 to 200 gsm.
- 10. (Original) A non-woven article comprising the non-woven material of claim 1.
- 11. (Original) The non-woven article of claim 9 further comprising a lotion containing at least one ingredient selected from the group consisting of sodium chloride solution, preservatives, boric acid, bicarbonates, moisturizers, emollients, surfactants, humectants, alcohols, water, and fragrances.
- 12. (Original) The non-woven article of claim 9 further comprising at least 0.5 percent by weight of inorganic salt, or a mixture of inorganic salts.
- 13. (Previously presented) The non-woven material of claim 1, wherein said material has a wet tensile strength in 3 percent aqueous inorganic salt solution of at least 100 g/in, and a wet tensile strength in tap water of at least 40 g/in.
- 14. (Previously presented) A non-woven material consisting of:
  - a) a web of fibers; and
  - b) an emulsion binder comprising a tap water-dispersible polymer which is non-dispersible in aqueous solutions containing 0.5 weight percent or more of an inorganic salt, wherein said water-dispersible polymer comprises from 1 to 100 percent by weight of a hydrophilic monomer and from 0 to 99 percent by weight of at least one non-hydrophilic monomer, wherein said polymer has a Tg of from -40°C to +105°C, and

wherein said binder consists of an aqueous emulsion residue which exhibits salt sensitive dispersibility in tap water.

- 15. (New) An airlaid non-woven material comprising:
  - a) a web of fibers, including wood pulp fibers which have a length of less than 2 cm; and b) an emulsion binder comprising a water-dispersible polymer which is non-dispersible in aqueous solutions containing 0.5 weight percent or more of an inorganic salt, wherein said water-dispersible polymer comprises from 1 to 100 percent by weight of a hydrophilic monomer and from 0 to 99 percent by weight of at least one non-hydrophilic monomer, wherein said polymer has a Tg of from -40°C to +105°C, and wherein said binder consists of an aqueous emulsion residue which exhibits salt sensitive dispersibility in water.
- 16. (New) The airlaid non-woven material according to claim 15, wherein the web includes wood pulp fibers which have a length of less than 0.5 cm.